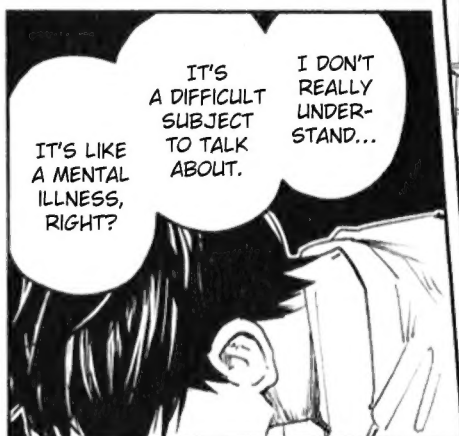


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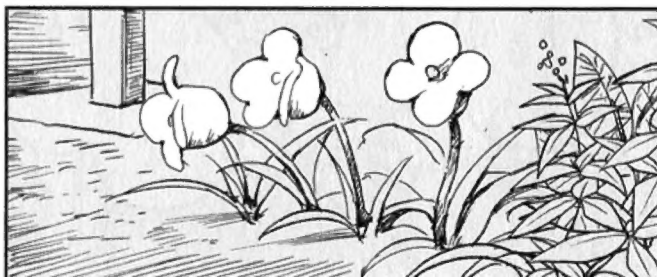
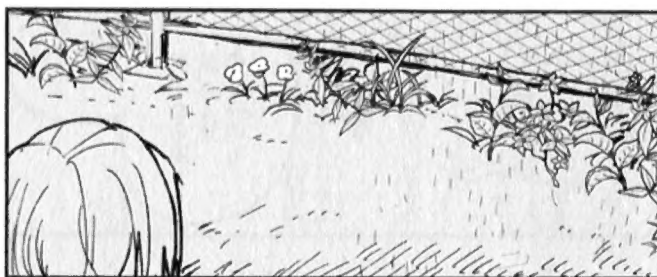
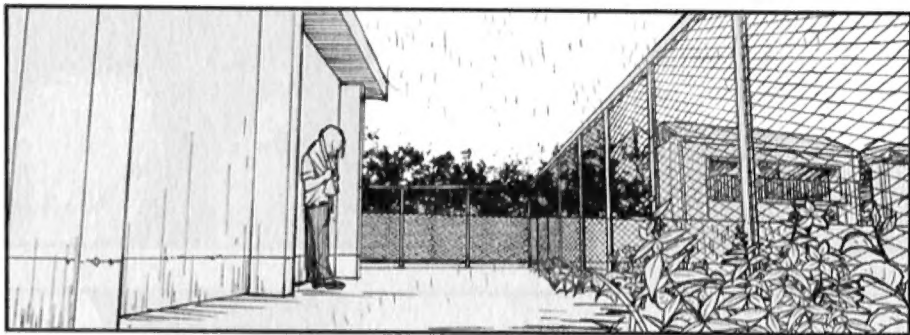












That
flower...



Now
that I think
about it, when
he gave it to
me...



I
couldn't
bring myself
to throw it
away.



Now
I understand
the reason
why.

ARE YOU
OKAY?





THAT
WAS SCARY,
RIGHT?



DID HE
DO SOME-
THING?

NO?

YOU
SHOULDN'T
GO WITH
SUSPICIOUS
MEN.

I SAW
YOU COME
IN, THAT'S
WHY...



I ASKED
SOMEONE
NEARBY TO
CALL THE
POLICE SO
IT'S PROBA-
BLY
OKAY.

I
SEE...

Ok,
he's out
cold.

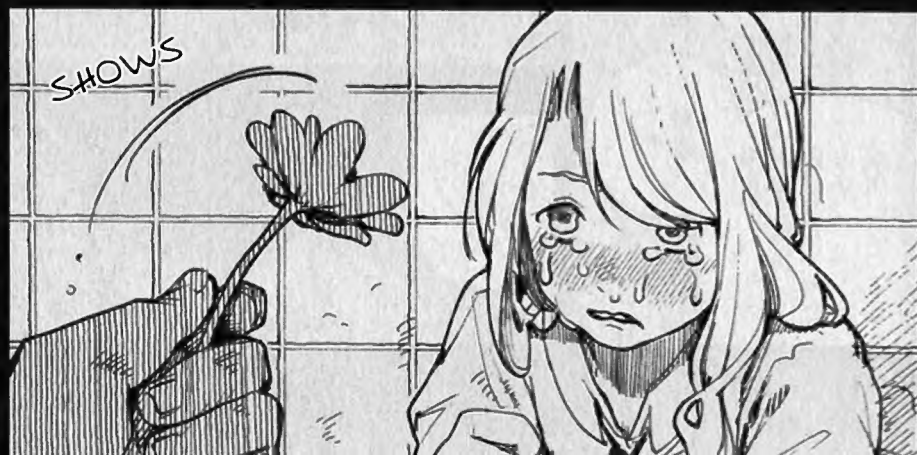


I'M...

OKAY.

YOU
DON'T HAVE
TO FORCE
YOURSELF
TO SAY
IT.







I don't
even remember
what we talked
about at the
time...





EVEN
THOUGH
WE DON'T HAVE
AS A PRESENT. A VASE I GOT
HER THIS

I
WANTED
TO APOLO-
GIZE PROP-
ERLY...



The
flower I
received...
I've been
treasuring
it ever since
then.



TO
PROTECT
A GIRL. IT'S
A MAN'S
DUTY



SHE
WOULDN'T
WANT AN APOLOGY
FROM A PERSON
WHO WOULD LEAVE
YOU HERE
ALONE.

MISTER,
YOU
HAVE
TO GO TO
WHERE THAT
PERSON
IS.





He
unconsciously

That's
why, when he
did the same
thing...

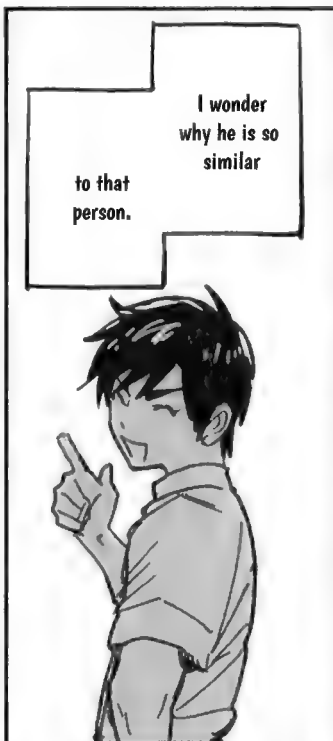
reminded
me of him.

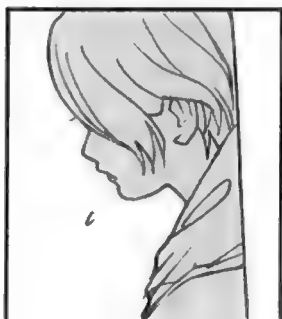


Now
that I've
noticed it,

I'm sure.

I wonder
why he is so
similar
to that
person.











BECAUSE
EVEN
THOUGH



I'M
NO MATCH
AGAINST
HIM...



HE
HIMSELF
FEELS
LIKE

HIS
HEART IS
SOMEWHERE
ELSE.



WHERE
THAT GUY
IS.

...DON'T
KNOW

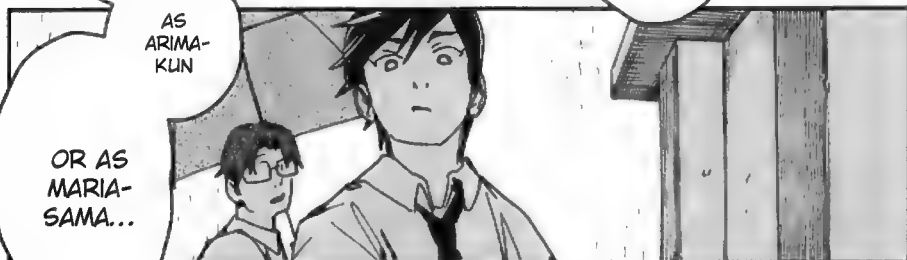


BUT
WE DIDN'T
KNOW IF HE
WANTED TO BE
ACCEPTED

WE
WERE
ALWAYS
THINKING
THAT

GIVE
HIM A PLACE
WHERE HE
WOULD FEEL
ACCEPTED.

WE
WANTED
TO



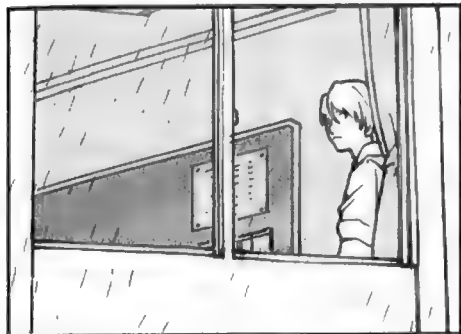
AS
ARIMA-
KUN

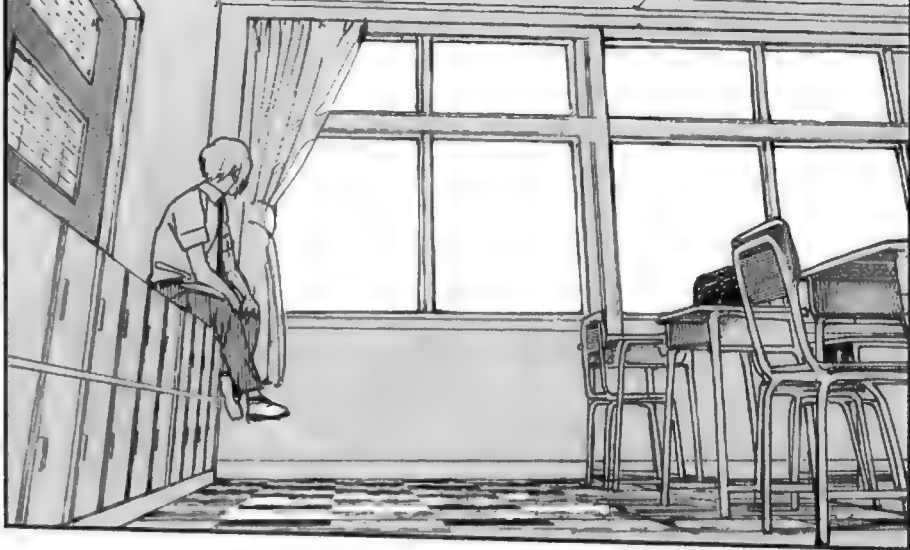
OR AS
MARIA-
SAMA...







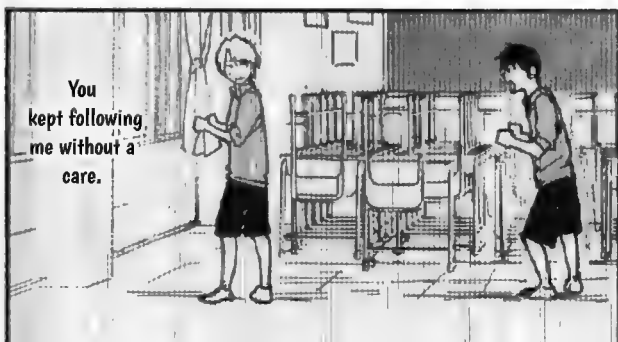




It's
because I
unconsciously
admired
you...



But
even then,
no matter what
face I showed
you...



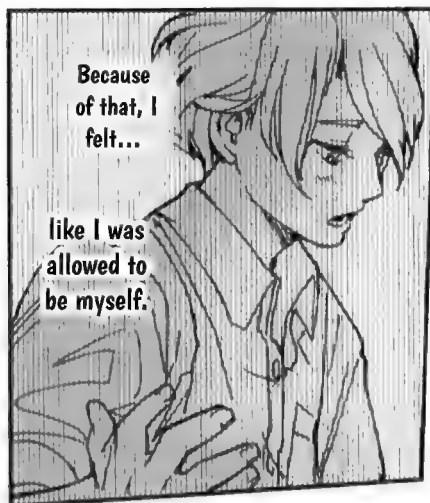
You
kept following
me without a
care.



That's
why I didn't
want you to
see my weak
parts.



If it's
in front of
you...



Because
of that, I
felt...

like I was
allowed to
be myself.



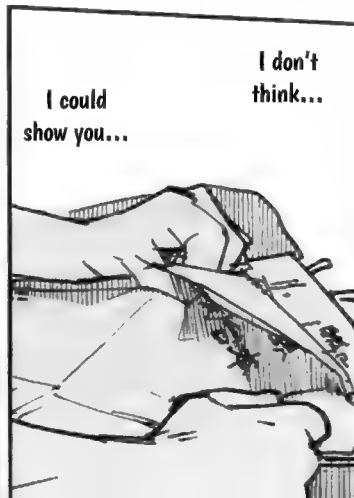
I could
express
myself as a
boy.



Shameless
isn't it?



this
pathetic
condition
I'm in right
now.

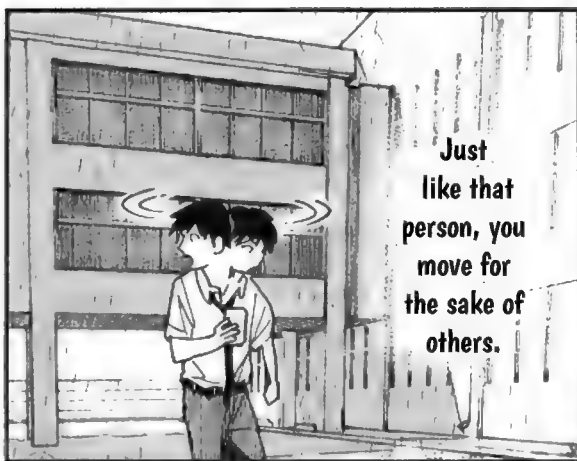


I don't
think...

I could
show you...



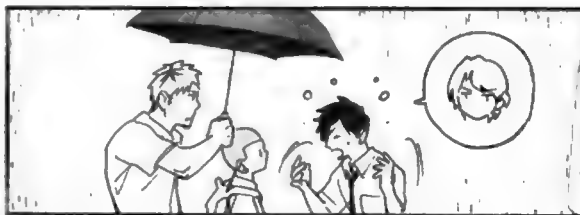
Because...



Just
like that
person, you
move for
the sake of
others.



You are
surrounded
by so many
people.



I can't
help it.

I can't
help that I'm
so jealous of
you.





I want
the things
you have.



I want
to be like
you.

I
just...



At that
time...

THERE'S
NOTHING
MORE
PAINFUL

THAN
BEING
ALONE,
RIGHT...?

Why
did you
say some-
thing like
that?



or that
I'm not
worth any-
thing.

that I
was born as
the wrong
gender

I don't
want to
think



I keep
remember-
ing the fear
I felt back
then.



Taiga.

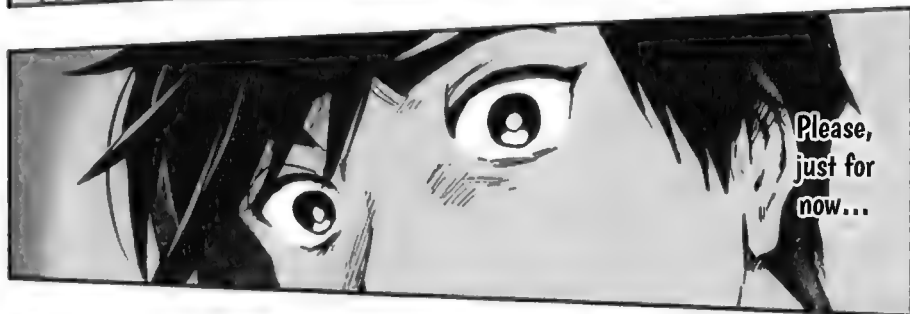
If I see
you now...

I'll
stop being
myself.



I don't
want you to
see me

in this
pathetic
condition.



Please,
just for
now...



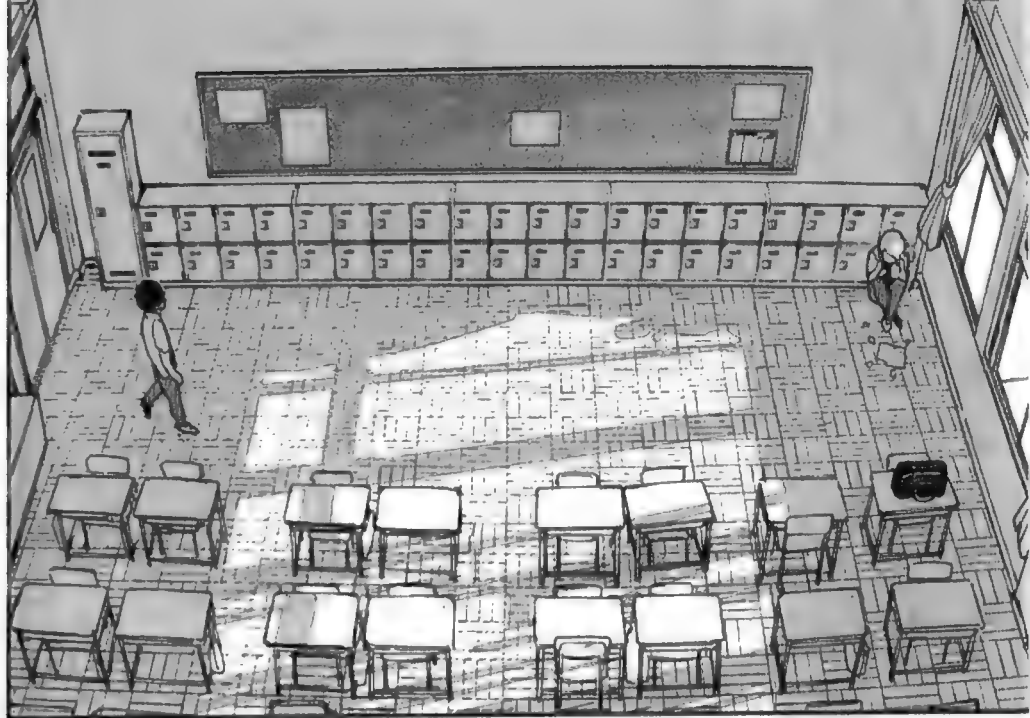
Please
forget
about me.



RATTLE

ARI-







don't want
to hurt you.



ARIMA.

AND
THEN, ON
THE PER-
FORMANCE
TOO

BUT
I WANT
TO APOLOGIZE
PROPERLY.

PROBABLY
DOESN'T
WANT TO
SEE MY FACE
ANYMORE,

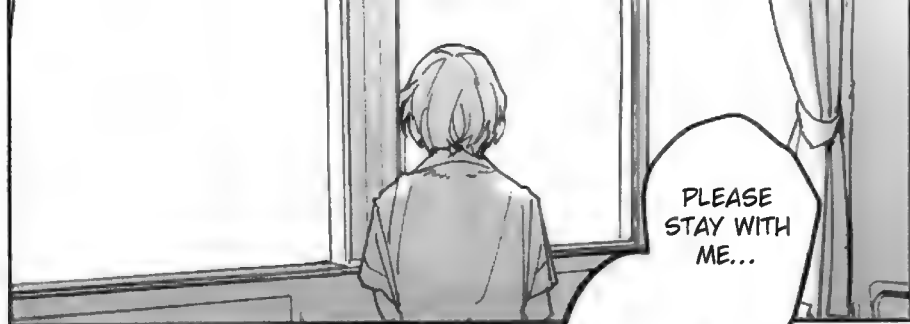
EVERY-
BODY
...

...I'LL
LEAVE
SOON.

CAN
YOU JUST
LEAVE ME
ALONE?

So...

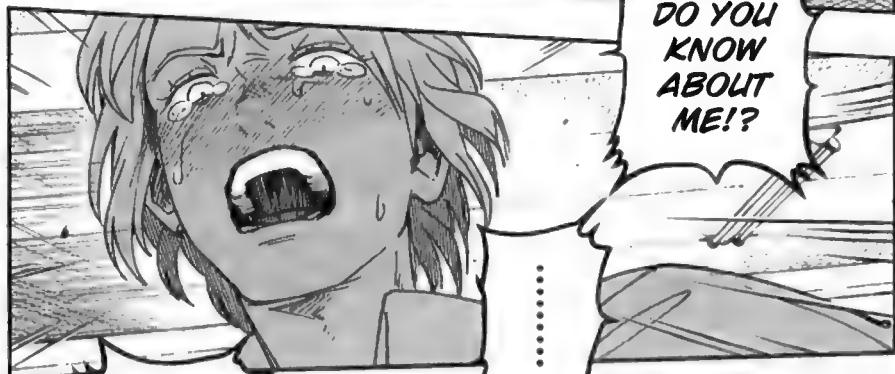








WHAT
DO YOU
KNOW
ABOUT
ME!?



OR
MAYBE
YOU JUST
WANT TO
BE LIKE
ME?!

PULLS

WHAT
DO YOU
MEAN,

THIS...

YOU
HAVEN'T
HAD SOME-
THING LIKE
THIS

DONE
TO YOU,
RIGHT?

A-
ARIMA-

WHAT
ARE
YOU...?



ARIMA-

IF YOU USE THIS
YOU CAN DO IT
WITH AN-
OTHER
GUY.

YOU
DON'T
KNOW?

I'LL
TEACH YOU
ABOUT
IT.

TOUCH

THAT'S-



WOULD
ACCEPT
ME AS A
GUY AFTER
ALL.

YOU'RE
THE ONLY
ONE
WHO

YOU'LL
ACCEPT
ME,
RIGHT!?

ARIMA-

THAT-
YOU CAN'T
DO THAT-

CLANK
CLANK



THAT'S
RIGHT.

I'LL
BE THE
ONLY
ONE

WHO
FEELS
GOOD.

IF
YOU DO
SOMETHING
LIKE THIS,

YOU-







... YUU.



YOUR
NAME

IS YUU,
RIGHT?

YUU.

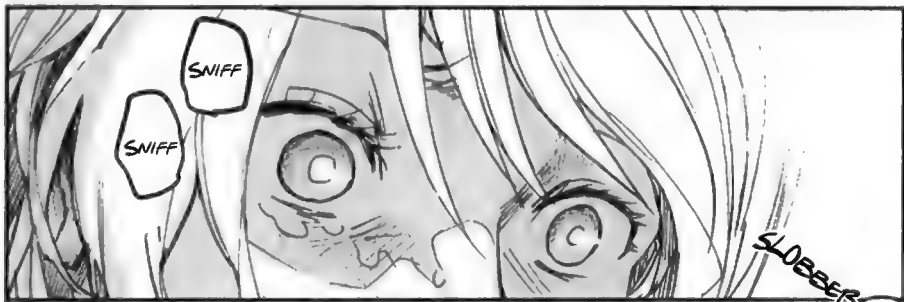


JUST
STAY AS
YUU...

BE-
BECAUSE...

YOU
DON'T
HAVE TO
BE A
BOY

OR
A GIRL...





BY
NOW, I
WOULD'VE
BEEN
ALONE
IN
EVERY
SENSE OF
THE WORD.



I
WANTED
TO
CHANGE.

I
WANTED
TO BE LIKE
YOU AND
FACE
THINGS
WITHOUT
RUNNING
AWAY.



IF I

DIDN'T
MEET YOU
ARIMA...



I
WOULDN'T
HAVE ANY-
THING TO
TREASURE,

I
WOULDN'T
BE ABLE
TO FACE
ANYONE.



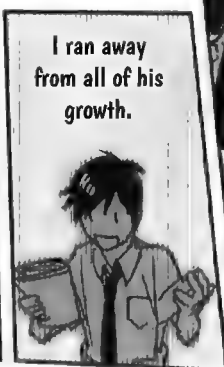
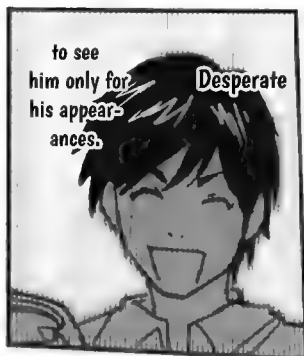
BE-
CAUSE,
EVEN

THOUGH
I'M THIS
PATHETIC...

SNIFF



I ONLY
PRETENDED
THAT I
CHANGED,
BUT
I HAVEN'T
CHANGED AT
ALL.





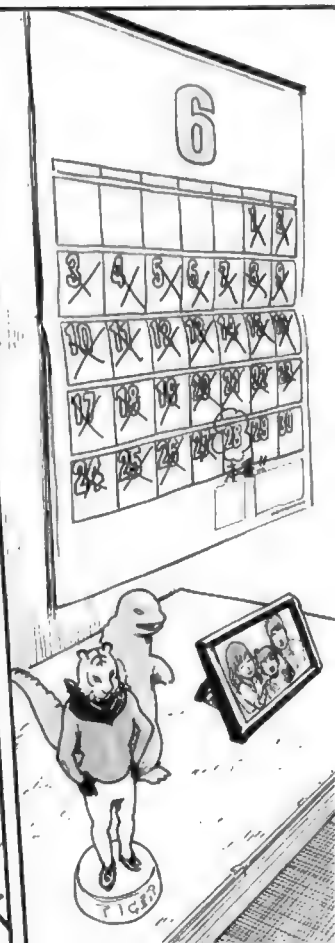
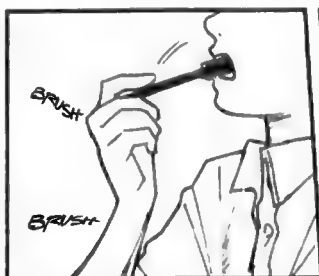
Even
though
I wanted to
be the one
to teach
you...

that
the closer
you are to some-
one, the more
they change
you...

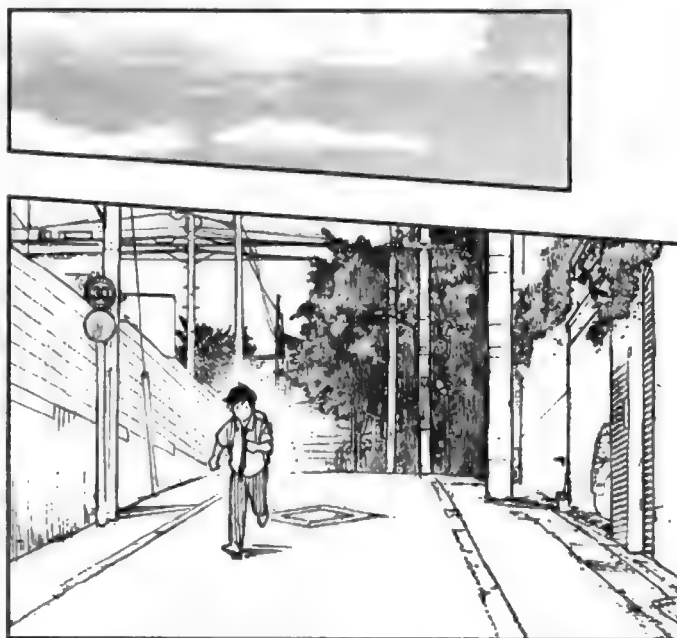


PLEASE
FORGIVE
ME...

















I'M NOT
MATURE
LIKE FUKU-
MARU.

BUT...



I'M AN
IDIOT...

AND I'M
NOT A NICE
GUY LIKE
TETSU.



THERE

MIGHT
BE SOME-
THING

I
CAN
DO.



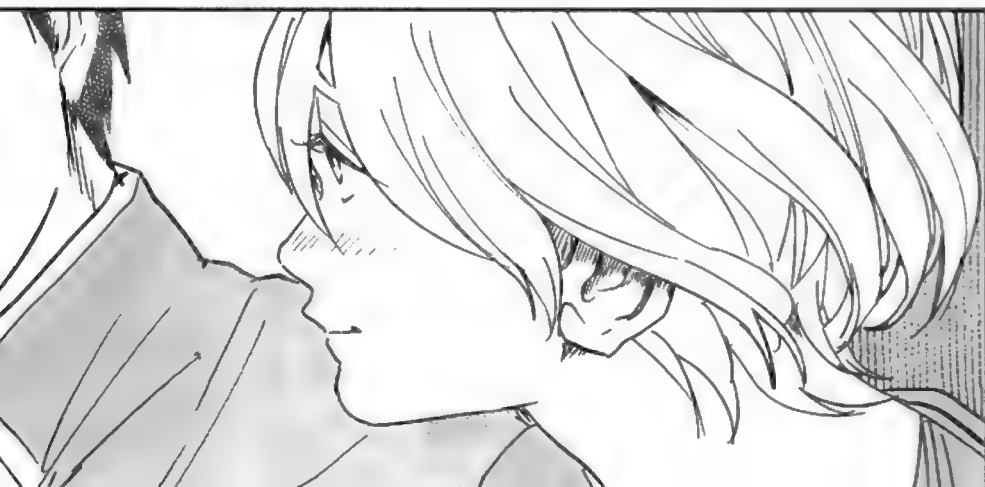
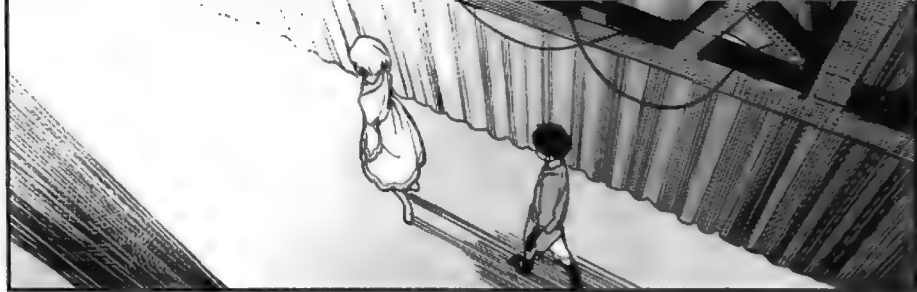
ISN'T
THAT A
GOOD
THING?

WELL,

YOU'RE
FINALLY
ABLE TO
SAY IT,
HUH?











Maria-sama
was more
beautiful than
ever.

That day,



In the
end you're
here

SOB



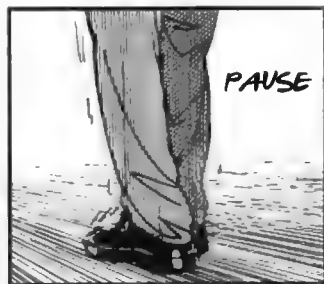
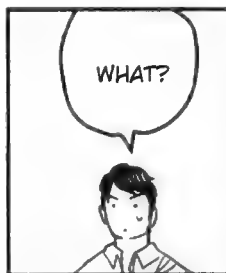
SOMEHOW,
THIS MAKES
ME FEEL
RELIEVED.

CLAP
CLAP

Maybe next
time...

On the
other hand,
the rumored
lead role's
lines
were
a mess.



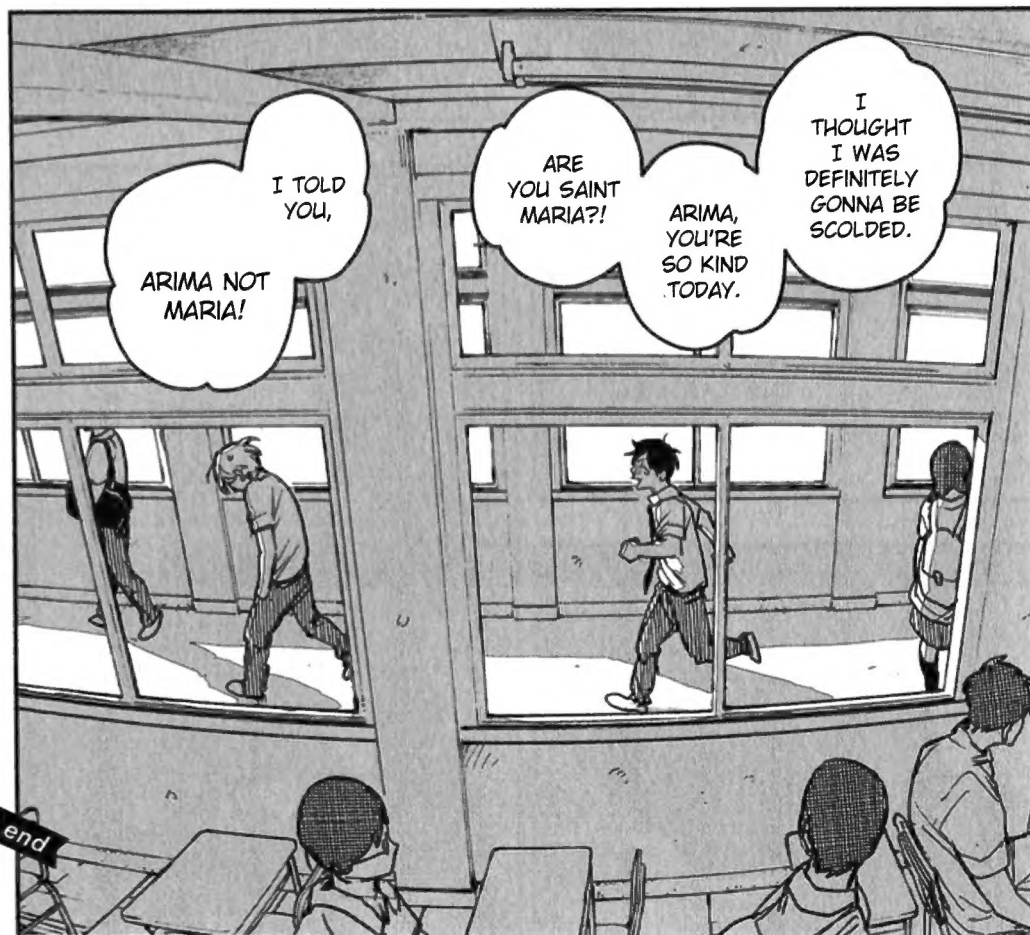


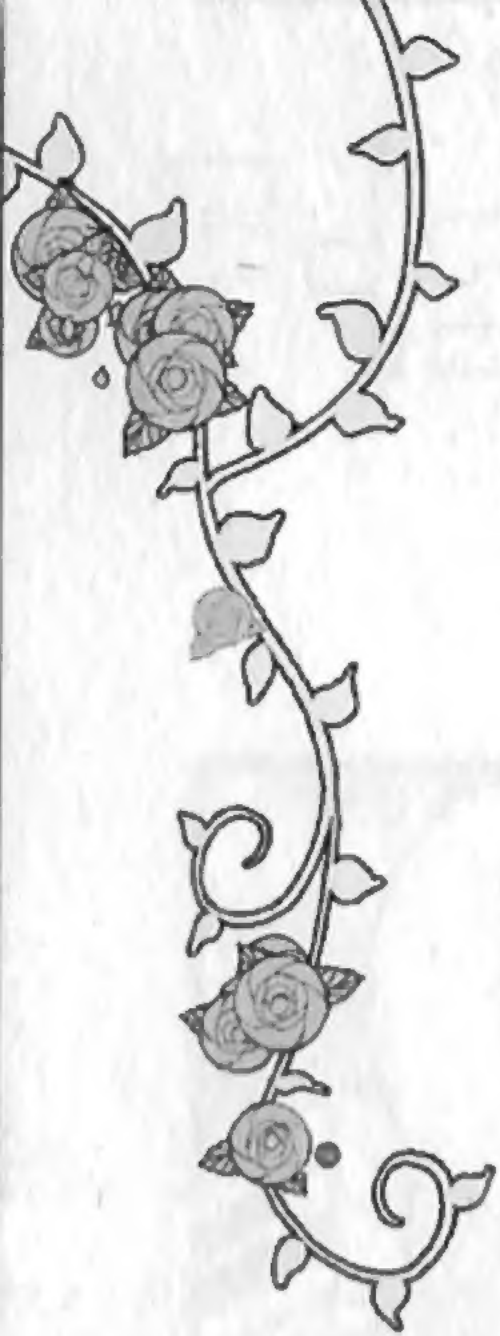












Boy meets Maria

